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**MASSACHUSETTS OCEAN MANAGEMENT TASK FORCE**  
**RELEASES DRAFT PRINCIPLES AND RECOMMENDATIONS**  
*Public comment next step in effort to update state ocean policies*

The Massachusetts Ocean Management Task Force today released draft principles and preliminary recommendations that will serve as a basis for reforming the Bay State's ocean management policies and regulations in the future. The Task Force will hold public meetings to review the principles and recommendations over the next two weeks.

"Today, the Massachusetts Ocean Management Task Force has taken a significant step in taming the new 'wild west' of development—our oceans," said Environmental Secretary Ellen Roy Herzfelder. "As a Commonwealth, we are now well-positioned to take the next step in making sure that coastal waters held in trust for the people are properly managed for years to come."

Among its fifteen recommendations, the Task Force encouraged the eventual passage of a Comprehensive Ocean Resource Management Act that would provide legal authority to the state to develop ocean management plans. This would allow the state, in consultation with cities, towns, and a newly created oceans coordinating council, new authority to designate certain areas within state waters for specific purposes such as industrial use, fisheries habitat preservation, or natural resource conservation.

"The Ocean Management Task Force is made up of a diverse group with strong opinions who have worked extremely hard over the past six months to form a consensus around these recommendations," said Task Force Chair Susan Tierney. "I hope the public will be pleased with the effort we have made to consider all sides of the issue and the progress the state has the potential to make in the area of ocean management. Also, if there is something we are missing these public meetings are an opportunity for the public to tell us that."

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A central part of Governor Mitt Romney's Ocean Management Initiative, the Ocean Management Task Force was formed by Secretary Ellen Herzfelder in June 2003. Principal Task Force objectives include: developing guiding principles for the use of state waters and ocean resources; examining state coastal policies and the related legal framework; determining data requirements for managing state waters; and examining the organization and governance over state waters to ensure that statewide interests are met.

The Task Force will review the public comments received at the meetings listed below and release a final report to Secretary Herzfelder in February 2004. The full list of preliminary recommendations will be available online by Noon on Friday, December 5 at [www.state.ma.us/czm/oceanmgtinitiative.htm](http://www.state.ma.us/czm/oceanmgtinitiative.htm).

#### **PUBLIC MEETINGS:**

- Boston, December 10, 3 pm – 5 pm, John Joseph Moakley Courthouse, 1 Courthouse Way, Boston
- Worcester, December 10, 7 pm – 9 pm, Broad Meadow Brook, 414 Massasoit Road, Worcester
- Yarmouth, December 11, 7 pm – 9 pm, Yarmouth Council on Aging, 528 Forest Road, Yarmouth
- Gloucester, December 15, 7 pm – 9 pm, Cape Ann Historical Association, 27 Pleasant Street, Gloucester
- New Bedford, December 15, 7 pm – 9 pm, New Bedford Public Library, 613 Pleasant Street, New Bedford

#### **TASK FORCE MEMBERS:**

##### **CHAIR**

**Susan F. Tierney**, Managing Principal, Analysis Group Inc., and former Assistant Secretary of Policy for the US Department of Energy, former Massachusetts Secretary of Environmental Affairs, and former Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities

##### **STATE OFFICIALS**

**Paul Diodati**, Director, Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries

**Jim Hunt**, Assistant Secretary for the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (Massachusetts Environmental Protection Act Unit)

**David O'Connor**, Commissioner, Massachusetts Division of Energy Resources

**Robbin Peach**, Executive Director, Massachusetts Environmental Trust

**Tom Skinner**, Director, Massachusetts Coastal Zone Management and Assistant Secretary of Coastal and Marine Resources for the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs

## LOCAL OFFICIALS

Mayor John Bell, City of Gloucester, represented by **Dale Brown** (Community Development Director for the City of Gloucester)

**Timothy Smith**, Town Administrator, Town of Wellfleet

Mayor Fred Kalisz, City of New Bedford, represented by **John Simpson**, Executive Director of the New Bedford Harbor Development Commission

Mayor Thomas Menino, City of Boston, represented by **Richard McGuinness** from the Boston Redevelopment Authority

## PUBLIC MEMBERS

**Bill Adler**, Executive Director, Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association and Member, Massachusetts Marine Fisheries Advisory Commission

**Priscilla Brooks**, Director of the Marine Resources Project and Senior Economist, Conservation Law Foundation and Member, Gulf of Maine Council

**Jack Clarke**, Director of Advocacy, Massachusetts Audubon Society

**Tom Cox**, President, Massachusetts Marine Trades Association, and co-owner, Constitution Marina

**"Rip" Cunningham**, Editor In Chief and Publisher, Saltwater Sportsmen Magazine, and Member, Massachusetts Marine Fisheries Advisory Commission

**Michael Egan**, Founder, Carruth Capital, LLC

**Mike Leone**, Port Director for the Massachusetts Port Authority, and Chair, American Association of Port Authorities

**Vivien Li**, Executive Director, The Boston Harbor Association

**James J. McCarthy**, Alexander Agassiz Professor of Biological Oceanography and former Director, Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University

**Judith McDowell**, Senior Scientist, Director of the Woods Hole Sea Grant Program and Associate Dean at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.

**E. Randolph ("Randy") Tucker**, Partner, Piper Rudnick

**Greg Watson**, Vice President, Massachusetts Technology Collaborative

**Larry Wheatley**, Attorney

## EX OFFICIO MEMBERS

## FEDERAL EXECUTIVE BRANCH

**Elmer P. Daneberger III**, Chief, Engineering and Operations Division of the Minerals Management Service of the US Department of the Interior

**Eldon Hout**, Director, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, an office within National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration Ocean Service

**Paul Howard**, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council

**Colonel Thomas L. Koning**, Commander of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District, represented by **Christine Godfrey** (Chief of the Regulatory Division, New England District, US Army Corps of Engineers)

**Pat Kurkul**, Northeast Regional Administrator, National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries)

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**Craig McDonald**, Superintendent of the Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary Captain Brian Selarno, U.S. Coast Guard, represented by **Thomas Godfrey** (Deputy Chief, Planning Department at the US Coast Guard Marine Safety Office, Boston). Bob Varney, Regional Administrator (New England Region), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, represented by **Timothy Timmermann** (environmental scientist in the New England EPA's Office of Environmental Review)

#### **STATE AND FEDERAL ELECTED OFFICIALS**

**Representative Susan Gifford**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Plymouth District

**Representative Anthony J. Verga**, serving Gloucester, Rockport, and Essex; member, Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission; former Executive Director of the Gloucester Fisheries Commission.

**Senator Robert O'Leary**, serving the Cape & Islands; former member, Cape Cod Commission and the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Council

**Senator Bruce Tarr**, representing the First Essex and Middlesex District

Senator Edward M. Kennedy

Senator John Kerry

Congressman Michael E. Capuano

Congressman William Delahunt

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**Bill Adler**

Bill Adler has served as the Executive Director of the Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association since 1989. Bill also serves on both the Massachusetts Marine Fisheries Advisory Commission and the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission. Bill serves on numerous fishery related boards regionally, statewide and in his hometown of Marshfield. Bill owned and operated a lobster business prior to his appointment as Executive Director and continues to fish on a limited basis. Prior to lobstering, Bill spent time bottom trawling and gillnetting and was engaged in the commercial harvest of sea moss off the coast of Marshfield. He also taught English at English High School in Boston from 1967-1974. Bill holds a B.A. in English from Stonehill College and a M.A. in English from Northeastern University.

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**Dale Brown**

Dale Brown is the Community Development Director for the City of Gloucester, MA. Dale grew up in a suburb of Cleveland, OH, on the shores of Lake Erie. She has over 25 years of experience in public administration. With a BS in Biology from Yale University and an MS in Biological Oceanography from the University of Rhode Island she has concentrated on how to apply knowledge of ocean systems to our activities that rely on use of the oceans. She has worked at the state and federal level on ocean policy, with experience writing sections of Rhode Island's original coastal zone management program, and worked for the US House of Representatives ocean policy committee and the Congressional Office of Technology Assessment Oceans Program. She was employed by the City of Santa Barbara, CA for ten years, initially representing the City in all aspects of offshore oil and gas development, including policy development and project review. This work evolved into regional planning and City administration. In Massachusetts, as a private consultant, she spent three years working on the development and implementation of Gloucester's Harbor Plan before accepting her current position. Ms. Brown represents Gloucester's Mayor John Bell on the Ocean Management Task Force.

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**Priscilla Brooks**

Priscilla Brooks is the Director of the Marine Resources Project and Senior Economist for the Conservation Law Foundation (CLF). Dr. Brooks received her B.S. degree in Communications from Cornell University in 1981 and M.S. (1987) and Ph.D. (1992) degrees in environmental and natural resource economics from the University of Rhode Island. Prior to joining CLF in 1994, Dr. Brooks worked as a Visiting Assistant Professor at the University of Rhode Island where her research focused on international trade and marketing of fisheries products and the economics of seafood safety and aquaculture, with implications for fisheries management and public policy. The Conservation Law Foundation is a member-supported non-profit organization founded in 1966 and is New England leading environmental advocacy organization.

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**Jack Clarke**

Jack Clarke is Director of Advocacy for the Massachusetts Audubon Society. Massachusetts Audubon is the oldest and largest non-profit environmental state conservation organization in New England. Mr. Clarke received his Bachelor's and Masters degrees from Boston College. He worked for the U.S. Department of the Interior for ten years and served thirteen years with the Governor's Environmental Affairs Office, the last five of which he was Assistant Director for Coastal Zone Management. For his work on behalf of the environment, Mr. Clarke received awards from the US National Park Service and the Environmental Protection Agency. He presently lives in the Gloucester with his wife and daughter. Among other activities, he is Chairman of the city's planning board.

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#### **Tom Cox**

Tom Cox was born and raised on the West Coast. Other than a brief career teaching school in the Los Angeles area, his entire professional career has involved management and ownership of marinas and related marine industry enterprises on the East coast, including sole responsibility for the "hands on" management of 8 marinas from Florida to Massachusetts. Tom and his partner Peter Davidoff own Bosport Docking, LLC, a limited liability corporation that was formed to take advantage of the partners' skills in the marina management and marine construction fields. Bosport Docking owns Constitution Marina on Boston's inner harbor, and manages the Federal Courthouse docking facility in Boston, the Island Moorings program for the Boston Harbor Islands National Park Area, and maintains several other Boston area waterfront facilities. The company is currently in the process of developing a waterfront restaurant at its Charlestown site and is pursuing other marina opportunities. Tom has taught and participated in numerous marine industry educational programs and is a member of the first class of the International Marina Institute to be qualified as a Certified Marina Manager. Tom holds a 100-ton captains license from the US Coast Guard and can frequently be found giving tours of Boston Harbor and the Harbor islands on his 60-foot sailboat, Rozinante. Tom is an avid boater and an advocate for clean waters and responsible management practices.

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#### **"Rip" Cunningham**

C. M. "Rip" Cunningham Jr. is currently the Editor In Chief and Publisher of Salt Water Sportsman magazine, the largest circulation salt water fishing magazine with 1.52 million readers worldwide. He joined the magazine staff in 1973, went on to own the magazine, and sold it to the Time Mirror Company in 1988. Active on many fisheries management and conservation boards, he has been on the MA Marine Fisheries Commission since 1986 (and chaired the Commission for 3 years), and serves as Chair of the American Sportfishing Association Salt Water Government Affairs Committee. Rip was the recipient of International Game Fish Association conservation award in 1993 and 2000, and he received the Coastal Conservation Association Conservation Award in 1995. A 5th generation sport fisherman, Rip has also been a commercial fisherman in both nearshore and offshore fisheries. He is an attorney and member of the Massachusetts, Essex County, Hellenic and American Bar Associations.

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#### **Paul Diodati**

Appointed to the state's lead fisheries management position in 2000, Paul Diodati has worked closely with both recreational and commercial sectors during his career, successfully utilizing his diversified experience to sustain the respect of the industry, legislature and state, federal and interstate managing bodies. A career fishery biologist with 20+ years of service at Marine Fisheries,

he is renowned for work on striped bass and northern shrimp. Previously Paul managed Marine Fisheries' Sportfish Program for which he earned universal praise for the program's effectiveness, especially renewed efforts to educate the public about our state's fisheries and the need for conservation. Home-grown and well-trained, he pursues the agency's mission to manage the Commonwealth's living marine resources and the harvesting of those resources by the commercial and recreational fisheries, while maintaining a diverse number of self-sustaining fish populations at healthy levels of abundance in balance with the ecosystem, thus, providing wealth and benefits to all citizens of Massachusetts.

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#### **Michael Egan**

Michael Egan is a life-long Massachusetts resident with strong ties to the suburbs, city and Cape Cod. He has extensive experience building, developing and supporting projects that benefit local and state communities. Mike has strong interest and knowledge in the environmental sciences. Mike is the founder of Carruth Capital LLC, a commercial real estate and venture capital firm. Carruth Capital became the largest homebuilder in New England in 1994. An ardent outdoor sportsman and naturalist, Mike serves on the board of the Three Bays Preservation in Osterville, MA. He holds a B.S. in Chemical Engineering from U-Mass, Amherst.

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#### **Jim Hunt**

Jim Hunt serves as Assistant Secretary for the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs (EOEA) and is responsible for administering the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) on behalf of Secretary Ellen Roy Herzfelder. An attorney, Jim received his Juris Doctorate from Suffolk University Law School and his Bachelors Degree from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Under Jim Hunt's leadership, the MEPA Office is currently coordinating state environmental review of several ocean projects, including offshore wind farms, waterfront revitalization, channel dredging, and offshore sand mining and beach renourishment. Jim is a life-long resident of Boston, where he is involved in many environmental and civic causes.

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#### **Mike Leone**

Michael Leone was appointed Port Director for the Massachusetts Port Authority in July 1998. He was previously the Chief Legal Counsel to Massport's Maritime Department. As Port Director, Mike oversees all aspects of Massport's Maritime Department and is responsible for the management and promotion of the Port of Boston, including strategies for the development, marketing, operation and maintenance of its public marine terminals. He also serves as the Chairman-elect of the American Association of Port Authorities and is Chairman of the Association's Port Security Task Force. Prior to joining Massport, Mike served in the U.S. Coast Guard from 1971-1993. Leone's Coast Guard career included serving as Regional Counsel for all Coast Guard Commands in the Northeast where he also served as military Judge for military courts martial. Mike is a graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy and received his law degree from George Washington University Law School.

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#### **Vivien Li**

Since 1991, Vivien Li has been Executive Director of The Boston Harbor Association, a public interest organization founded in 1973 by the League of Women Voters and the Boston Shipping Association to promote a clean, alive,

and accessible Boston Harbor. The Boston Harbor Association was the first organization to work for the clean up of Boston Harbor, and actively promotes a balance of diverse uses on the waterfront. TBHA is a strong proponent of the Working Port as well as the leading advocacy group working for greater public access along Boston Harbor. In 2002, Boston Magazine paid tribute to Vivien as one of 40 people who have helped make Boston what it is today, and in 2003, Boston Magazine voted Vivien one of the 100 most influential women in Boston. Vivien is also a 2000-2001 recipient of the Gulf of Maine Visionary Award presented by the Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment. Vivien received her B.A. from Barnard College and her M.P.A. from Princeton University.

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#### **James J. McCarthy**

James J. McCarthy is Alexander Agassiz Professor of Biological Oceanography and from 1982 until 2002 he was the Director of Harvard University's Museum of Comparative Zoology. McCarthy received his undergraduate degree in biology from Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington, and his Ph.D. from Scripps Institution of Oceanography in La Jolla, California. His research interests relate to the regulation of plankton productivity in the sea, and in recent years have focused on regions that are strongly affected by seasonal and inter-annual variation in climate. He is an author of many scientific papers, and he currently teaches courses on biological oceanography and biogeochemical cycles, marine ecosystems, and global change and human health. Dr. McCarthy has served and serves on many national and international planning committees, advisory panels, and commissions relating to oceanography, polar science, and the study of climate and global change. He served as co-chair of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC), Working Group II, which had responsibilities for assessing impacts of and vulnerabilities to global climate change for the Third IPCC Assessment. He has been elected a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and a Foreign Member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences. In 1997, he was the recipient of the New England Aquarium's David B Stone award for distinguished service to the environment and the community.

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#### **Judith McDowell**

Judith McDowell is a Senior Scientist in the Biology Department at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution. Her research interests focus on the physiological ecology of marine animals and the effects of chemical contaminants on the marine environment. She received her B.S. degree in Biology from Stonehill College (cum laude) in 1969, and her M.S. and Ph.D. in Zoology from the University of New Hampshire in 1971 and 1974, respectively. Dr. McDowell holds the positions of Director of the Woods Hole Sea Grant Program and Associate Dean at WHOI. She has participated in numerous national and international committees and workshops dealing with marine pollution, including the National Research Council, Committee on Oil in the Sea: Input, Fates, and Effects, and the International Council for Exploration of the Seas, Advisory Committee on the Marine Environment.

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#### **Richard McGuinness**

Rich McGuinness from the Boston Redevelopment Authority represents Mayor Thomas Menino of Boston on the Task Force.

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**David O'Connor**

David O'Connor has served as Commissioner of Energy Resources for Massachusetts since 1995, directing the state agency that develops the Commonwealth's energy policies and administers several of its energy programs. He advises the Governor and the Secretary for Commonwealth Development on policies that will produce reliable, affordable and sustainable energy supplies and uses. A leading advocate for deregulation of the electric and gas utilities, he has also worked to preserve the ability of energy conservation and renewable energy sources to compete in the new energy marketplace. David has Master's Degree in Public Administration from Harvard University and his BA from Middlebury College.

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**Robbin Peach**

Robbin Peach is executive director of the Massachusetts Environmental Trust, a quasi-public philanthropy with a long-standing commitment to ocean resources. Prior to coming to the Trust in 1990, Robbin worked on urban design and zoning issues as senior planner for the BRA's Midtown Cultural District, as executive director of the Fort Point Arts Community, and as director of urban design for the City of Boston's Public Facilities Department. She currently serves on: the executive board of Associated GrantMakers, the leadership council of the New Bedford Whaling Museum, the management board of YMCA Southcoast, and is vice-chair of the Albatross Fund - a philanthropy focused on sustainable community involvement in the marine resources of Galapagos, Ecuador. Robbin holds a bachelor of science degree in horticulture and a masters in landscape design with a focus on land-use planning. She and her 12 year old son, Cameron, live near the ocean in Mattapoisett, MA.

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**John Simpson**

John Simpson, Executive Director of the New Bedford Harbor Development Commission, represents Mayor Fred Kalisz of New Bedford on the Task Force.

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**Tom Skinner**

Tom Skinner became the Director of the Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management and Assistant Secretary of Coastal and Marine Resources for the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs in July, 1999. Tom's prior work was in land conservation, transportation, comprehensive planning, and marine resources. Tom serves as Vice Chair of the Coastal States Organization (CSO); Vice Chair of the Board of Directors for the Gulf of Maine Ocean Observing System (GoMOOS); Board Member of The Coastal Society; and past Chair of the Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment. Tom received an undergraduate degree from Bowdoin College and a Masters from Brown University.

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**Susan F. Tierney**

Dr. Tierney, Managing Principal of Analysis Group, Inc., provides business consulting, litigation support, and economic, environmental and policy advice and analysis to clients in the electricity and natural gas businesses. She focuses on industry restructuring policy, market structure and analysis, price and valuation studies, transmission policies, wholesale power markets, business strategy, energy facility development projects, and environmental and reliability issues. She serves frequently as an expert witness in regulatory and court proceedings. Dr. Tierney is chairman of the board of directors of The

Energy Foundation and of the Energy Innovations Institute; is a director of the Electric Power Research Institute, Catalytica Energy Systems Inc., Clean Air-Cool Planet, and the Northeast States Clean Air Foundation. Before coming to Lexecon (and its predecessor company, the Economics Resource Group), Dr. Tierney served in senior governmental positions in federal and state government, as Assistant Secretary for Policy in the U.S. Department of Energy, Secretary of Environmental Affairs for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Commissioner for the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities, and Executive Director of the Massachusetts Energy Facilities Siting Council. Previously, she was an assistant professor at the University of California, Irvine. Dr. Tierney has authored articles and studies on energy and environmental policy, electric reliability issues, electric transmission, electric industry competition and restructuring, energy R&D, regional electricity markets, regional gas markets, alternative fuel vehicle policy, and energy facilities siting. Dr. Tierney has a Ph.D. (public policy and planning, 1980) and a masters degree (regional planning, 1976) from Cornell University, and a bachelor's degree (1973) from Scripps College.

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#### **Greg Watson**

In 1999, Greg Watson was named the first program director for the Massachusetts Renewable Energy Trust. Created by the 1997 law restructuring the electric utility industry, the Trust will have \$150 million over the next five years - and \$20 million a year after that -- to accelerate the use of cleaner sources of electricity and invest in the development of renewable energy industry in the Commonwealth. He served in that role until 2001. As MTC Vice President for Sustainable Development and Renewable Energy, Watson is currently directing the Cape & Islands Offshore Wind Public Outreach Initiative. Prior to joining MTC, Watson served as executive director of the Dudley Street Neighborhood Initiative (DSNI), a resident-driven community planning organization in Roxbury, Massachusetts. He served as the Commissioner of the Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture from October 1990 to June 1993.

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#### **Larry Wheatley**

Since 1995, Larry Wheatley has been in private legal practice in Massachusetts representing companies in the security/facial recognition, Internet and real estate investment areas. Prior to his current position, Larry has had an extensive legal and Coast Guard career with both public and private experience in Washington, D.C. Prior to his work in Washington, Larry served as the U.S. Coast Guard Commander in Boston from 1972-1977. Larry graduated from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT in 1969 with a Bachelor of Science and Engineering. He graduated from Suffolk University Law School in 1978 and was admitted to the Massachusetts Bar the same year. Larry is a licensed real estate broker in Massachusetts and Virginia.

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#### **Ex-Officio Members**

##### **Elmer P. Danenberger III**

Mr. Danenberger earned a B.S. degree in Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering and a Masters degree in Environmental Pollution Control, both from Pennsylvania State University. He has been employed as an engineer in the Department of the Interior's offshore oil and gas program since 1971. He has served as District Supervisor for the Minerals Management Service (MMS) field offices in Santa Maria, California, and Hyannis, Massachusetts; as a staff engineer in the Gulf of Mexico regional office; and as Chief of the Technical Advisory Section at the headquarters office of the U.S. Geological Survey. He

is currently the Chief of MMS's Engineering and Operations Division with responsibilities for safety and pollution-prevention research, engineering support, operating regulations, and inspection programs.

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#### **Representative Susan Gifford**

Susan Williams Gifford lives in the Town of Wareham with her husband Mark Gifford. In 1999 Representative Gifford was elected to the Wareham Board of Selectmen in her first run for public office. During her tenure she served on the Marine Resources Commission, Affirmative Action Hearing Committee, Cemetery Commission, and Cable Advisory Board. She also served as Administrator of the Tobey Will Fund and is a former member of the Plymouth County Advisory Board.

In 2000, she ran for State Representative and came very close to beating the incumbent. Susan was elected State Representative for the 2nd Plymouth District after returning to the campaign trail in 2002 and focusing on the issues of fiscal responsibility, improving education, and health care reform. On taking office in January 2003, Representative Gifford was appointed to the Joint Committee on Natural Resources & Agriculture, the Joint Committee on Health Care, the Joint Committee on Insurance, and the House Committee on Personal & Administration. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Western Michigan University.

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#### **Thomas Godfrey**

Mr. Thomas Godfrey is the Deputy Chief of the Planning Department at the US Coast Guard Marine Safety Office in Boston. He began his career with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in March of 2003 after retiring from a 20-year Active Duty career in the Coast Guard. In the span of his 20-year military career he completed nearly one hundred heavy-weather search and rescue missions, conducted over one-thousand law enforcement boardings at sea, and commanded Coast Guard Stations and Cutters in New York City and Maryland. Mr. Godfrey holds an Associates in Arts Degree from Excelsior College, and a U.S. Merchant Mariner - Master's license. In his current position, Mr. Godfrey coordinates the Operation Safe Commerce - Boston A Model Port and Boston Area Maritime Security Committees for the Coast Guard. Mr. Godfrey is married to the former Shalisse McLain of Westminster, MD. They have two daughters and reside in Webster, NH.

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#### **Christine Godfrey**

Christine Godfrey is Chief of the Regulatory Division, New England District, US Army Corps of Engineers. In this position, she directs the Corps of Engineers environmental permit program for all of New England. She has been the chief, Policy Section and Assistant Branch chief since 1989. In this capacity, she has been responsible for all policy development related to the Regulatory Program and implementation at the regional level. This includes coordination with federal and state program managers and Corps headquarters. Of particular note is her leadership role in developing and implementing the innovative, highly successful Programmatic General Permits in the six New England States. Ms. Godfrey holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Biology (1980) and a Master of Science degree in Environmental Engineering (1982), both from the University of New Hampshire. She is a member of the Society of Wetland Scientists and the New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission.

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**Eldon Hout**

Eldon Hout is the director of the Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM). He was appointed to the position March 9, 2003. OCRM, an office within NOAA National Ocean Service (NOAA Oceans and Coasts), is a leader on the nation's coastal, estuarine and ocean management issues and carries out NOAA's Coastal Zone Management Act administrative responsibilities. Prior to joining NOAA, Eldon was the manager of Oregon's Coastal Ocean Program, rounding out a 27-year career with the state's Department of Land Conservation and Development. He has represented six Oregon governors on various national committees. Eldon earned a bachelor's degree in political science from Stanford University, a master's degree in international relations from Tufts University - Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, and completed the Senior Executives in State and Local Government program at the Harvard University - Kennedy School of Government.

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**Paul Howard**

Captain Paul J. Howard assumed the position of Executive Director of the New England Fishery Management Council in January 1997. That same month he retired from a 25-year career in the United States Coast Guard. Captain Howard is a native of Winthrop, Massachusetts. He is a 1972 graduate of the United States Coast Guard Academy. Captain Howard also attended graduate school at Marymount University in Arlington, Virginia. Captain Howard's at sea Coast Guard assignments include: Deck Watch Officer onboard USCGC MENDOTA in New Bedford, MA, Operations Officer onboard USCGC DUANE in Portland, ME, Executive Officer onboard USCGC EAGLE in New London CT, Executive Officer onboard USCGC JARVIS in Honolulu, HI, and Commanding Officer onboard USCGC RELIANCE in New Castle, NH. Captain Howard's assignments ashore have been in Port Safety, Training, and Law Enforcement. They include: Port Safety Officer in New York, NY, Port Safety Industry Training at Massachusetts Port Authority, Chief of the Port Safety Branch in Boston, MA, Planning Officer and Head JV Football Coach at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT, Chief of Training Policy and Assessment Branch at Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington, DC, and Chief of the Coast Guard Law Enforcement Branch in Boston, MA

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**Pat Kurkul**

Ms. Kurkul has been Northeast Regional Administrator for the National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries) since 1999. In that capacity, she is responsible for the development of policy and the implementation of management programs for the living marine resources of the northeastern United States. She is also a member of the New England and Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Councils, and of several other regional natural resource related bodies. Ms. Kurkul is a career government employee and has been with NOAA Fisheries since 1980. She began with the organization as an economist. Her experience at NOAA Fisheries also includes a period as a senior policy analyst and as Office Director for Sustainable Fisheries. She has a Bachelor and Masters Degrees in Resource Economics.

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**Colonel Thomas L. Koning**

Colonel Thomas L. Koning began his career as Commander of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New England District in July 2002. He is a graduate of the United States Military Academy with a Bachelor's Degree in Engineering. He holds Masters Degrees in Geology and Civil Engineering from North Carolina State University and in Strategic Studies from the U.S. Army War College.

From 1980, when he began his military career until 2000, Colonel Koning held progressively more responsible leadership roles that included serving four years as an Assistant Professor at the United States Military Academy in the Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering. Colonel Koning is also a licensed Professional Engineer in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

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#### **Craig McDonald**

Craig D. MacDonald, Ph.D., is Superintendent of the Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary headquartered in Scituate, Massachusetts. He was the Ocean Resources Development Manager for the State of Hawaii and is a former Adjunct Professor of Ocean Policy at the University of Hawaii. He holds graduate degrees in oceanography and marine biology, has done postdoctoral work in fisheries science, is a certified public administrator, and is an elected Fellow of the Marine Technology Society. He has worked extensively throughout Asia and the Pacific Islands on diverse projects involving the integration of ocean resources management and development. He has published extensively in the professional literature, been on the boards of directors of several national and international organizations, and served on numerous governmental advisory bodies. He was project manager for development of the Hawaii Ocean Resources Management Plan, at the time one of only two such state ocean policy plans in the nation. He is a native of New England.

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#### **Senator Robert O'Leary**

State Senator Robert O'Leary received his B.S. from Georgetown University, his MPA from Harvard University, and his PhD from Tufts University. Before his election to the State Legislature in 2000, Senator O'Leary was a college history professor and a faculty member at the Massachusetts Maritime Academy. He has also served as a Barnstable County Commissioner and was a member of the Cape Cod Commission and the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Council. Currently serving his second term as the Senator from the Cape & Islands, he is chairman of the Energy Committee. He is a member of many groups, including the Zoning Reform Working Group, Cape & Islands Workforce Investment Board, and the Lyme Disease Task Force.

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#### **Senator Bruce E. Tarr**

State Senator Bruce E. Tarr, a Republican from Gloucester, has been a member of the Massachusetts General Court since 1991, when he won election to the House of Representatives on behalf of the 5th Essex District. In 1995, Bruce was elected to the Massachusetts State Senate, succeeding Senator Robert Buele, who had served for 16 years. In 1999, he was named the Assistant Minority Whip of the Senate, and in 2001, he became the Minority Whip, or the Second Assistant Minority Leader. Senator Tarr represents the First Essex and Middlesex District, consisting of the City of Gloucester, and the towns of Boxford, Essex, Georgetown, Groveland, Hamilton, Ipswich, Manchester, Middleton, Newbury, North Andover (Precincts 2, 3, 5 and 7), North Reading, Rockport, Rowley, Wenham, West Newbury, and Wilmington. Preceding his 1990 election to the House of Representatives, Senator Tarr worked in numerous family businesses as well as being employed by the United States Attorney's office for the District of Massachusetts. He was educated at Gloucester High School, where he graduated in 1983, and went on to Suffolk University, where he graduated in 1987 with a B.S. in Business Administration and Suffolk Law School with a Juris Doctorate in 1990.

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**Representative Anthony J. Verga**

Representative Anthony J. Verga, a Democrat from Gloucester, Massachusetts has been a member of the House of Representatives since 1994. Representative Verga serves the communities of Gloucester, Rockport, and Essex. He is Vice-Chair of the Joint Committee on Local Affairs, Counties and Regional Government. He is also a member of the Joint Committee on Natural Resources. Prior to his election to the House, Representative Verga served for thirteen years as the Executive Director of the Gloucester Fisheries Commission. During his tenure in House of Representatives, he has focused on key issues in education, the economy, the environment, and health care. Outside of his seat in the State House, Representative Verga is a legislative member of the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission and was previously the Chairman of their Shrimp Section. In 2001, Representative Verga received the prestigious Belding Award for excellence in his field, and his exemplary advocacy for the fishing industry, the environment and land conservation. Representative Verga and his wife Adrienne are the parents of seven sons and one daughter, and the grandparents of fourteen grandchildren.

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**E. Randolph ("Randy") Tucker**

E. Randolph ("Randy") Tucker became a partner at the law firm Piper Rudnick, LLP in January 2003. Previously, he was a partner at Hill & Barlow in Boston, where he practiced since 1982. He focuses on the litigation of complex business disputes in a variety of industries. Among his specialties are energy, telecommunications, real estate and gaming law. He is listed in the 2003-2004 edition of The Best Lawyers in America. Mr. Tucker is a 1979 graduate of the University of Virginia Law School, where he was a member of the Virginia Law Review, and a 1974 graduate of Yale College, cum laude. Following law school, he clerked for Frank M. Coffin, then Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, and for Joseph S. Lord, III, then Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. He is a member of the American Law Institute.

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**Timothy Smith**

Timothy Smith has been the Town Administrator in Wellfleet, Massachusetts since November 2000. Previously, he was the City Manager in Calais, Maine. He served on active military duty for 20 years, achieving the rank of Lieutenant Commander in the United States Navy. He commanded Naval shore installation and held numerous leadership positions on ships and shore installations.

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**Timothy Timmermann**

Tim Timmermann serves as an environmental scientist in the Office of Environmental Review for the New England Region of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and is responsible for the review of major federal projects and actions under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). Since joining the EPA in 1997, Tim has coordinated the review of numerous transportation, energy and redevelopment projects for EPA in the six New England States. Tim has traveled twice to Thailand as an EPA representative to teach environmental review principles to government officials. Tim's prior work included work with the Army Corps of Engineers reviewing projects in southeastern Massachusetts and with a Massachusetts based engineering/consulting firm as an environmental planner. Tim holds a B.S. in Environmental Studies from the George Washington University. Tim represents EPA New England Regional Administrator Robert Varney on the Task Force.

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